

Matteo Iron & Metal

1708 Route 130 West Deptford Township Gloucester County

BLOCK: 128 LOT: 2

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SITE DESCRIPTION/RESOLUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS:

A scrap metal recycling facility currently operates at the northeast portion of this site. Prior to its purchase by Matteo & Sons, the property was a farm. A branch of Hessian Run flows through the site. NJDEP has conducted numerous inspections of the site dating back to the early 1970s. During these inspections it was noted that portions of the property had been used to landfill domestic and industrial waste. In addition, it has been reported that at one time the current operator recycled vehicle batteries and landfilled the battery casings near Hessian Run. Reviews of historical aerial photographs have confirmed that significant disturbances occurred at this area during the past. A site inspection conducted in 1991 revealed partially crushed 55-gallon drums containing various materials that appeared to be waste petroleum product. Preliminary sampling confirmed that the soil and ground water at the site and the sediments in Hessian Run are contaminated with organic compounds and lead. In 2000, NJDEP's Remedial Response Element began a Remedial Investigation and Remedial Action Selection (RI/RAS) to delineate the contamination at the site and evaluate cleanup alternatives. NJDEP plans to conduct an aquatic biota study in 2003 to determine whether cleanup of Hessian Run is warranted as part of the remediation of the site.